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SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to substantive examination of the above-captioned application, please amend the application as follows.

In the Specification:

Please amend the Specification as follows.

Please amend the Specification at page 4, lines 4-10 to read as follows:

*B*¹
In other aspects, the invention features an absorbent article having a core that includes a composite including superabsorbent polymer, and a nonwoven web impregnated with said superabsorbent polymer, the nonwoven web having loft and a density of no greater than 0.025 g/cm^3 , the superabsorbent polymer having been formed in situ, the composite including from 10 % by weight to about 90 % by weight superabsorbent polymer. In one embodiment, the nonwoven web has a density no greater than 0.023 g/cm^3 .

Please amend the Specification at page 7, lines 24-33 to read as follows.

*B*²
Useful high loft nonwoven webs have a basis weight of greater than 22 g/m^2 for a web thickness (i.e., caliper) of at least 1 millimeter (mm), preferably at least 30 g/m^2 , more preferably at least 60 g/m^2 , more preferably at least 80 g/m^2 , most preferably at

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Enclosed for filing in the above-captioned application please find:

- 1) Second Preliminary Amendment (3 pages); and
- 2) Tab 1, Clean Version of the Amended Paragraphs of the Specification, Marked-Up Version of the Amended Paragraphs of the Specification, Clean Version of Amended Claims 38 and 39, and Marked-Up Version of Amended Claims 38 and 39 (4 pages total).

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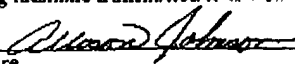
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